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AND ISRAELI REPRISAL

1. FOLLOWING THE APRIL 17 MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF
MINISTERS, GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN LECAT HAD THE
FOLLOWING TO SAY ABOUT FONMIN JOBERT'S STATEMENT
TO MINISTERS ON TENSIONS BETWEEN ISRAEL AND SYRIA
AND THE ISRAELI-LEBANESE BORDER INCIDENTS:

"HE (JOBERT) RECALLED THE FRENCH POSITION
EXPRESSED BY THE FRENCH REPRESENTATIVE TO THE SECURITY
COUNCIL AND WHICH WAS ADOPTED BY THE COUNCIL OF
MINISTERS THIS MORNING: 'WE KNOW THAT A SLAUGHTER
TOOK PLACE AT KHIRIAT SHMONE', THE GOVERNMENT
SPOKESMAN SAID, 'IN AN ISRAELI BORDER CITY AND
FRANCE CONDEMNS THAT ACT OF VIOLENCE AND THE LOSS
OF INNOCENT LIVES IT CAUSED. THE GOVERNMENT, AS
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ITS REPRESENTATIVE TO THE UNITED NATIONS HAS ALREADY

DONE, UNDERLINES THAT NO CAUSE CAN BE SERVED BY SUCH
ACTS.

"AN ACTION OF ISRAELI REPRISALS IN SOUTHERN
LEBANON TOOK PLACE AND THE GOVERNMENT REAFFIRMS IN
THIS CONNECTION ITS TRADITIONAL ATTITUDE: IT
OBVIOUSLY CANNOT APPROVE ANY ACT OF REPRISAL AND,
MOREOVER, REAFFIRMS ITS CONCERN THAT THE
TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY OF LEBANON BE RESPECTED."
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